**INTRO TO BIBLE STUDY GUIDE AND TEST**

This study guide will also double as the challenge test (class final). Students should eventually be ready to answer all the questions from memory.

**Worksheet 1  The Bible**

- Write out the books of the Bible in order. *(33 points)*

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What percentage of the *Holman Illustrated Guide to the Bible* textbook did you actually read? (20 points) ____________ %

Write down the following verses from memory: (5 points each)

Psalm 37:4 –

Proverbs 3:5,6 –

Micah 6:8 –

Matthew 6:33 –

I John 1:9 –

The answers to the questions below come from the textbook, and are found in order. Keep the answers simple. (1 point each)

Overview of the Bible

1) How many books are there in the Old Testament? ______
2) How many books are there in the New Testament? ______

What are the four divisions of the Old Testament books?

3) ______
4) ______
5) ______
6) ______

What are the four divisions of the New Testament books?

7) ______
8) ______
9) ______
10) ______

11) What does ‘inspired’ literally mean? ________________________________

12) About when was Gutenberg’s invention of the printing press? ______

13) What were not in the original texts but were added later? ________________________________

The Beginning of Everything – Joseph

14) Where in the Bible do we find the seven days of creation? ____________
15) What were the names of the two trees in the garden? ________________,
__________________________

16) The loss of God’s presence through human sin, found in Genesis 3, is known as what?
__________________________

17) List 3 things that were cursed as a result of human sin. ____________, ____________,
__________________________

18) What would be a simple way to describe sin? ___________________________
__________________________________________________________________________

19) Who were the two rival sons of Adam and Eve? ____________ and ____________

20) What did God send in Genesis 6-9 to deal with sin and start over again?
__________________________

21) Where was the ark eventually grounded? ____________________________

22) What are the family trees (lists of names) in the Bible called? ______________

23) In Genesis 11 the tower of Babel (probably a ziggurat) was built. What does ‘Babel’ mean?
__________________________

24) How old was Abraham when he was called by God? ____________

25) What was Abraham’s home city? ____________________________

26) Who was Abraham’s son? ____________ Who was Abraham’s wife? ____________

27) How old was Abraham’s wife when she bore their son? ____________

28) What is a binding agreement known as? ____________________________

29) What happened on Mount Moriah in Genesis 22? ____________________________
__________________________________________________________________________

30) Who were the twin sons born to Rebekah? ____________ and ____________

31) How, and why, did Jacob deceive his blind old father? ____________________________
__________________________________________________________________________

32) What was Jacob’s name changed to? ____________

33) Which of Jacob’s twelve sons was his favorite and received a richly ornamented robe (coat of
many colors)? ____________

34) To whom did Joseph become a slave? ____________
35) After Pharaoh made him Chief Minister and Joseph’s brothers came to Egypt, what did Joseph eventually do? ________________________________

Moses: Beginnings – Moses: Worship

36) How many years had passed from the end of Genesis and the beginning of Exodus? ____________

37) Though born a Hebrew, what was Moses brought up as? _________________

38) What happened when Moses was forty years old? ____________________________________________

39) When was the life of Moses changed? ________________________________

40) How does most English Bibles translate the Hebrew word ‘YHWH’? ________________

41) How did God apply pressure to get Pharaoh to meet the demands of Moses? ________________

42) Pharaoh yielded and freed the Israelites. Their escape is known as what? ________________

43) Jews still celebrate being freed from Egypt by celebrating a festival known as what? ________________

44) The journey from Egypt to Canaan normally took ten days, but how long did Israel’s journey take? ________________

45) What happened in Exodus 20? ______________________________________

46) Deuteronomy tells about the tabernacle. List five things or areas in it. ________________,

47) Who served as go-betweens between sinful people and a holy God? ________________

48) What day of the week was the Sabbath? ________________

Joshua – The Judges

49) Who was appointed to lead Israel after Moses, (he was one of the twelve spies)? ________________

50) What city did Israel destroy after a seven-day praise march? ________________

51) Where did Israel experience defeat because of Achan’s sin? ________________

52) After the Promised Land was taken who did Joshua divide it between? ________________
53) How was the Promised Land described? __________________________________

54) The land of Israel was small. From Dan to Beersheba (from north to south) was less than how many miles? _________________

55) What is the lowest point on earth? ________________________________________

56) After Joshua there was a cycle of disobedience, distress and deliverance for over 300 years. The leaders that were raised up to deliver them were called what? __________________

57) During this period most of the opposition came from whom? _________________

58) What book (woman’s name) was set in the time of the judges? _______________

59) What judge was a Nazirite, abstained from wine, did not cut his hair, and vowed to be pure (no contact with dead bodies)? _______________

60) Who was the one female judge? __________________

61) Sampson foolishly revealed the secret of his strength to whom? ______________

62) What judge asked for a sign, and defeated the Midianites with just 300 men? _______________

63) The ‘Angel of the Lord’ is sometimes an angel and sometimes whom? _______________

Samuel – The Psalms

64) Who served God under Eli the priest and was born as an answer to Hannah’s prayer? ______________

65) Since Joshua set it up, Shiloh was the home of what? ____________________________

66) When Israel insisted on a king, to whom was Samuel led? _______________________

67) Who was Saul’s son and a great friend to David? ______________________________

68) Samuel told Saul that obedience is better than what? ____________________________

69) Man looks on the outward appearance, but God looks at what? _________________

70) Why did Saul hound and chase David for ten years? ____________________________

71) What was the name of the Philistine champion (giant) that David defeated? _______________

72) What was David’s most famous failure? ________________________________________
73) David had many failures in his family life. Who were two of the sons that he failed with? ______________ and ______________

74) Despite his failures, David is called a man after what? ________________________________

75) What is ‘confession’? ________________________________

76) The Psalms could be considered the Bible’s what? ________________________________

77) About how many Psalms did David write? ______________


79) What word indicates a pause or musical interlude? ______________

Solomon & Wisdom Literature

80) David’s son Solomon became the next king. What did Solomon ask God for? ____________

81) What queen came to see the wealth of Solomon? ________________________________

82) What took seven years to complete? ________________________________

83) What book seems to bring a pessimistic outlook on life? ________________________________

84) What book is about a good man that lost everything? ________________________________

85) What book is a collection of short sayings teaching God’s wisdom for life? ______________

86) What book expresses the words of two lovers? ________________________________

The Great Divide – Prophets in the North

87) Solomon’s son (Rehoboam) and one of Solomon’s officials (Jeroboam) led to the dividing of the nation into what two sides? ______________ and ______________

88) Which kingdom survived longer? ______________

89) With a divided kingdom, Israel drifted away from God. What did God send to confront the kings? ________________________________

90) Who was fed by ravens, won a contest against the Baal prophets, and was miraculously taken into heaven? ______________

91) Who became Elijah’s successor, healed the Syrian Naaman and restored a lost axehead? ____________
92) Who married a prostitute? ________________

93) Who was sent to Nineveh, disobeyed and was swallowed by a great fish? ____________

The Last Days of Israel – Jeremiah the Prophet

94) When the warnings of the prophets were ignored, who destroyed Israel? ______

95) In 1612 B.C. who destroyed Nineveh and the Assyrian Empire? ________________

96) The Assyrian war machine caused mass deportation and exile of the ten northern tribes of Israel. Some that were left behind intermarried and became despised by the Jews. Who did these people become? ________________

97) Name two of the kings of Judah that did right in the eyes of the Lord. ____________ and ________________

98) What king of Judah contracted leprosy? ______________________

99) When did Isaiah begin his ministry? ____________________________

100) Name two of Isaiah’s prophecies about Jesus. ___________________ and ________________

101) What is the theme found in nine of the sixteen prophets about the day when God would judge sin? ________________________

102) Who was one of Judah’s best kings? ______________________

103) Despite their prosperity, who warned Judah, but was not taken seriously? ________________

104) Who said that the best option was for Judah to surrender to Babylon? ________________

105) How did the prophets describe God’s wrath? ______________________

The Fall of Jerusalem – The End of the Exile

106) Who besieged Jerusalem, destroyed the temple and took its people into exile? ________________

107) Nebuchadnezzar, ruler of Babylon appointed Zedekiah as king in Jerusalem. When Zedekiah rebelled, Nebuchadnezzar besieged Jerusalem, destroyed the temple and the walls, and did what to Zedekiah? ____________________________

108) Who dictated to Baruch, bought a field when Babylon was besieging Jerusalem and was put in a cistern? ________________
109) What disappeared from history after the Temple’s destruction? ___________________

110) What two people found themselves at the heart of the Babylonian and Persian regimes rather than back in Judah? _____________ and ________________

111) What was the new power growing in the south? ______________

112) Who conquered Babylon in 539 B.C.? _____________________

113) Who prophesied that Nebuchadnezzar’s empire was about to crumble in 539 B.C.? ________

Ezra and Nehemiah – Between the Two Testaments

114) Haggai and Zechariah encouraged the people to rebuild the Temple, but the walls were still in need of rebuilding, and there was still much to be done. After a change in Persian rulers, who returned to help complete the task? ___________

115) How long did it take to complete the walls? ____________

116) What does ‘tithe’ mean? ________________

117) Name two key events from the book of Daniel chapters 1-6. _______________________________ and _______________________________

118) Revealing the future through symbolic imagery such as in Daniel 7-12 could be called what kind of material? ____________________

119) What are the two books named after women? ____________ and ______________

120) What book tells how a Jewish orphan in exile became Queen of Persia? ______________

121) In what book is God not mentioned at all? ______________

122) How many years passed between Malachi and Matthew? ______________

123) What was the term for the Greek translation of the Hebrew Old Testament translated by seventy scholars? ____________________

124) What empire was the greatest that the world had ever known? ____________________

125) Under the Ptolemies, the Jews had experienced tolerance but when the Seleucids took over, what happened? (keep it simple) ____________________

126) Who was instrumental in the rebellion against Hellenism and reclaimed the Temple in 164 B.C.? ________________
127) To what empire did the Greek gradually fall? _______________

The Gospels – Jesus: His Teaching

128) The four accounts of Jesus’ life are called what? _______________

129) What does the word ‘Gospel’ mean? _______________

130) Matthew, Mark and Luke are written from similar perspectives and are called what type of writings? _______________

131) Who was the audience for Matthew’s writing? _______________

132) What three gospels were written to Gentiles? ___, ___, ___

133) Who was an Elijah-type figure that had elderly parents (Zacharias & Elizabeth)? ________

134) The word “baptize” comes from the Greek work “baptizo,” which means what? _______________

135) What was found in caves near Qumran in 1947 (or 1948)? _______________

136) The virgin birth of Mary was a fulfillment of who’s prophecy 700 years earlier? ________

137) The Jewish betrothal (engagement) was so binding that it required what to get out of it? ________

138) Where was Jesus born? _______________

139) Who followed an unusual star, but probably did not come on the night of Christ’s birth? _______________

140) What did Jesus do when He was twelve years old? _______________

141) What is another way of saying “Roman Peace”? _______________

142) At what age did Jesus leave home and begin His public ministry? ________

143) Jesus began His ministry by doing what? _______________

144) Where did Jesus walk on water? _______________

145) One of Jesus’ best-known teachings was known as what? _______________

146) Name two examples of parables that Jesus told. _______________
Jesus: His Teaching – Jesus: His Death and Resurrection

147) What is known as Jesus’ first miracle? _________________________________

148) What is the only miracle recorded in all four gospels? ______________________

149) Name two religious sects at the time of Jesus? ______________, _____________

150) Who had John the Baptist executed and was involved in the trial of Jesus? ______________

151) What was the “Holy Week” or “Passion Week?” _____________________________

152) In the triumphal entry Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey while the people shouted “Hosanna!” This Sunday before Easter is known as what? ________________

153) The Last Supper (Passover meal) became a part of Christian worship in which we remember the death of Jesus. Besides the Lord’s Supper, what else is it called? ______________________

154) In the final hours of His life, Jesus appeared before Annas, Caiaphas, Pilate and Herod Antipas. What happened as a result of this trial? _________________________________

155) Why did a soldier thrust a spear into the side of Jesus? ______________________

156) Name two false explanation of the empty tomb. _____________________________,
______________________________

Pentecost – Paul: His Letters

157) After the resurrection, how many days did Jesus stay before His ascension? _________

158) During what festival were the disciples filled with the Holy Spirit? ______________

159) Peter’s audience at Pentecost had come from far and wide. At least how many of them were in that upper room? ________________


162) What city was the springboard for missions, and the place that disciples were first called “Christians?” ________________

163) What was Peter’s occupation? ________________

164) What is another name for Peter? ______________________
165) What very practical letter was called “an epistle of straw” by Martin Luther? ____________

166) Where was Saul (later his name was changed to Paul) when he was confronted by Jesus and converted? ________________________________

167) What is told three times in the book of Acts? ________________________________

168) How many journeys of Paul does the second half of Acts describe? ______

169) What happened to Paul at Lystra? ________________________________

170) What brought freedom to Paul and Silas while in the Philippian jail? ____________

171) What happened to Paul on his way to Rome, off the coast of Malta? ________________________________

172) How many of the New Testament books were written by Paul? ______


*Paul: His Teaching – Hope for the Future*

174) Our preaching us useless and so is our faith if what did not occur? ________________________________

175) Jewish Christians, who thought that observing the requirements of the law was essential, were called what? ________________________________

176) Do we know who wrote the book of Hebrews? ______

177) The first church council, the Council of Jerusalem (A.D. 50) is recorded in what book and chapter of the Bible? ________________

178) What did the Council of Nicea in A.D. 325 confirm? ________________________________

179) The belief that people must “do” certain things to earn God’s favor is called what? ________________

180) Who unleashed a period of fierce persecution against Christians, and also set fire to Rome in A.D. 64? ________________

181) When was the Temple destroyed, never to be rebuilt again? ________________

182) What was one of the most common secret signs for the Christians? ________________
183) The book of Revelations uses picture language with symbols and numbers to communicate its message. What is that called? ____________________

184) How many famous churches are mentioned in Revelations? _________

185) What does the number “7” usually represent? ______________________

186) The first Christians believed it, and it has not happened yet, but the Bible says that it will happen some day. What is it? __________________________________________

187) Who will be the great opponent in the end times? _________________

188) What does the Bible call for everyone to be in this life? ____________
IDENTIFY THESE PLACES ON THE MAP:

a. Mediterranean Sea
b. Dead Sea
c. Sea of Galilee
d. Red Sea
e. Euphrates River
f. Jerusalem
g. Nazareth
h. Bethlehem
i. Samaria
j. Jordan River

MAP OF THE HOLY LAND IN GEOGRAPHIC CONTEXT